"At last, it's my tenth book!! All of you—my friends, my family, my editor, and all you readers—who pushed, pulled, coaxed, and lead me to this day, I love you all!" says Ao Mimori-sensei.

Message from the author

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The situation with the company director has been solved, and Ryouko has officially announced that she is going out with Fuji-kun. She can finally focus on her neglected studies and have a peaceful time however a suspicious boy, who claims to be a host himself, shows up in front of Ryouko and the rest..

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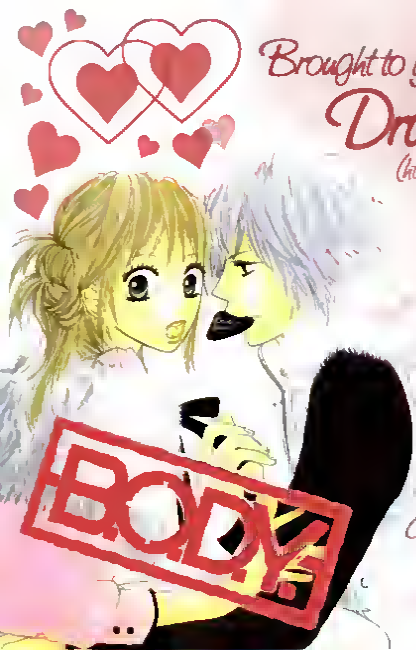

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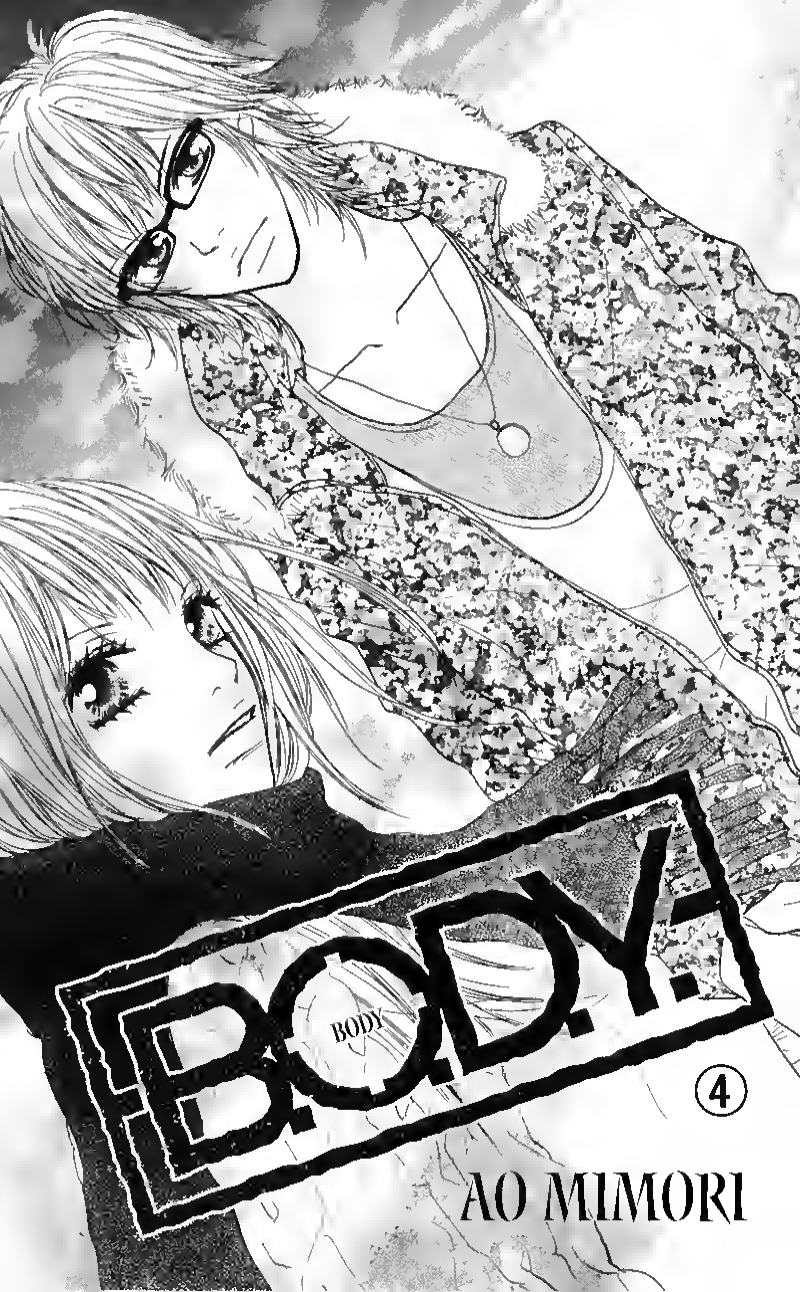
♣ CONTENT ♣

♡ BODY .....(3)

♡ BODY EXTRA
YUKI CHAN'S MONOLOGUE .....(181)

The story so far...
Fuyi-kun started going out with Ryouko, so he decided to quit being a host But the company director of the host club, Sawamura, refused to let him go since he's the no 1 host Sa Ryouko went to convince the director who challenged her. If she could earn one million yen in a month in Fuyi's place, Fuyi would get his freedom This led Ryouko to start working at a cabaret club, under Sawamura, and she was almost forced to sell herself! Around this time, Sawamura's ex-lover, Kayo, showed up Having dealt with Ryouko and the rest, she offered to get punished for what she'd done, that is running away from Sawamura seven years ago and leaving him the responsibility for her debt He was finally able to forgive Kayo when she apologized to him Afterward, though, Sawamura was suddenly stabbed However, he survived the ordeal and let go of Fuyi-kun, so Ryouko and Fuyi-kun are now able to spend a peaceful time as a normal couple... Right?

For details♥
Read B.O.D.Y.
1-3 (on sale)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HELLO——

IT'S VOLUME FOUR

How is everyone? It's getting warm, and it could've been an exciting season if it weren't for the pollen... Anyway, *BODY* has gotten to volume four! Ahaha!!

New developments will be taking place and I really hope that you'll all like the new characters.

Once again, I have something extra at the end of this book!

Ok, let's get started!

The situation with the company director has been solved,
and our life is back to normal.
It's now November.

EEEHH?!
Matsu Tea
I DID GET THE FEELING THAT YOU HAD A BOYFRIEND,
BUT I DIDN'T EXPECT IT TO BE FUJI...
WHY DID YOU HIDE IT?!
WELL...
YOU AND FUJI ARE GOING OUT ?!
HUSH! You're too loud!

For a while I worked as a part-timer at a cabaret club and almost got myself sold...
...
And I even witnessed an attempted murder...
Then I got abducted by a female customer and taken to this awesome house.
THEN
Fuji was actually working at a host club.
FU...
CONFUSED
Did so many things really happen?
Say something
WHAT'S WRONG, SAKURA-SAN?
There's nothing I can tell you guys.
Not a thing
HOWEVER, YOU'VE BEEN LOOKING REALLY HAPPY LATELY
EH...?
YOU WERE ACTING STRANGE FOR A WHILE
SO I WAS KINDA WORRIED
AH, THAT'S RIGHT

I MEAN; TALK TO US! DON'T ACT LIKE SOME STRANGER!!
YEAH, HONEST-LY
You guys...
I love you!
Stop
YOU ARE BEING CREEPY!
Jump
RYOUKO
HUH?
Thank you...
Suka

YEAH.
LET'S GO HOME
I'm so happy that I get the chills.
"You've been looking really happy lately."
he he he
?
WHERE SHOULD WE GO?
WHY ARE YOU LAUGHING?
MO'S BURGERS. ♡
THAT'S BECAUSE...
OK

GOING HOME TOGETHER OR STOPPING SOMEWHERE ON THE WAY
WE'VE NEVER DONE SUCH NORMAL THINGS BEFORE.
SO... I'M REALLY HAPPY.
YOU'RE KINDA LIKE A NIGHT GUY.
HA HA
Like this
YEAH...
THEN, LET'S GO TO A LOT OF PLACES
THERE ARE SO MANY THINGS WE CAN DO NOW.

That's right...
We can do so many things that a normal couple would do together.
YOU TWO OVER THERE.
What for...?
DO YOU KNOW WHY I CALLED YOU?
TEACHERS' OFFICE
?
HUH?
FOLLOW ME TO THE TEACHERS' OFFICE
SENSEI...

Could it be...
I don't have the ide...
I DON'T KNOW....
DON'T PUT ON AN ACT!
I'M SO DISAPPOINTED IN YOU!
...that he found out about the part-time jobs?!
I THOUGHT YOU WERE A MUCH MORE SERIOUS STUDENT,
ESPECIALLY, YOU, SAKURA.
SHOCK
WHAT ARE THESE SCORES?!
ESPECIALLY YOURS, SAKURA!
EH?! ME?!
This...
rubbing
rubbing

IT'S THE USUAL
HAVE I EVER GOTTEN SUCH A TERRIBLY BAD SCORE?
12 points
Did I read the final term wrong?
16
shaking
FUJI, YOUR SCORE ISN'T AS BAD AS SAKURA'S, BUT YOU'VE BEEN ABSENT A LOT.
WHOA. THEY'RE AWFUL!!
FEARFULLY
HOW BAD...
I TOLD YOU SO!
16
...FAIL THIS YEAR.
IF YOU KEEP THIS UP, YOU BOTH ARE GOING TO...
It must be a joke...
...A joke...
On the back of a class...
THERE'S GOING TO BE A MAKE-UP EXAM NEXT WEEK
YOU MUST AT LEAST SCORE 70 POINTS ON THAT

...
I GUESS WE HAVE TO DO IT.
UNTIL THE MAKE-UP EXAM IS OVER, I'M GOING TO STUDY AS IF MY LIFE DEPENDED ON IT—
I DID WORSE THAN FUJI ...
CAN IT REALLY BE POSSIBLE THAT WE MIGHT FAIL THIS YEAR?!
Sensei is exaggerating, right...?
FAIL
Bye-bye

SOME-HOW....
....ARE YOU LISTENING?
NO.
IT'S FINE
YOU WON'T FAIL JUST BECAUSE OF THIS IT'S JUST AN EMPTY THREAT
PUSH
ANYWAY, ABOUT THE UPCOMING HOLIDAY ..
PUSH PUSH PUSH
NO.
EVEN IF IT'S JUST A THREAT, THIS SCORE IS STILL REALLY HORRIBLE ....
MY MOM WILL KILL ME IF SHE FINDS OUT
16
AND I'M PRETTY SHOCKED, MYSELF!!
Look at this score!!

I NEED TO STUDY HARD UNTIL THE MAKE-UP EXAM
SQUEEZE
EH...
So certain
You're making me lose my motivation!
THEN, WE CAN'T BE TOGETHER FOR A WHILE?
YEAH, FOR A SHORT TIME
I mean, you need to study as well
IT'LL BE ALMOST A WHOLE WEEK
THAT'S SUCH A LONG TIME...
...
SORRY.

I'M KIDDING
I MEAN, I AM SORRY.
IT'S CERTAINLY MY FAULT THAT YOUR GRADE DROPPED
EH?
IT'S NOT YOUR FAULT!
WELL, I CAN WAIT, ALTHOUGH IT'S DE-PRESSING
PROMISE ME YOU'LL GET A GOOD SCORE.
EH?
SURE
ALSO,
YOU HAVE TO SPEND A LOT OF TIME WITH ME AFTERWARD.

YEAH.
In order to spend a lot of time with him later on,
I lied.
Really? Where?
Oh, a turtle.
I need to study very hard.

Straight Promotion
SCRIBBLE SCRIBBLE SCRIBBLE
mumbling mumbling mumbling
How did I do?
Is it?
Is it correct this time?
Did I get it right?
WHOA, HOW VERY ANNOYING
RYOUKO IS THIS REALLY OK? YOU'VE BEEN LEAVING FUJI ALL ALONE
It's been almost three days
SURGING WAVE
I CAN'T HELP IT
POOR GUY...
HE MUST BE FRUSTRATED
Straight Promotion

whisper
WHAT?
I mean...
EH?
WHAT
EH?
Clatter
HUH?!
YOU'RE SO LOUD.
Shaking
Shaking
WHAT... WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT!
OF COURSE WE HAVEN'T!
WHY NOT?
You're too messy!

IT'S A NORMAL THING FOR A COUPLE TO DO.
Straight Promotion
HAH
...so we'll do it eventually!
We are a couple after all...
Yeah... That's right...
Straight Promotion
FLIP
I wonder...
...if that was what he meant?!
Straight
"You have to spend a lot of time with me afterward."
I'M GOING TO THE RESTROOM
Did I say too much?
Rubbish

(1)

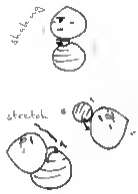
Hello!
I'm gonna write whatever comes to mind

Ha ha... By the way, this small section is really relaxing. Why? Because I'm a petty person? Ha ha ha!

(2)

Anyway, I've gained a lot of weight!!
I've never been this heavy. Well, I don't exercise much at all, so, of course I'd gain weight... I wrote in the previous comic book that I run along a river, but it's too cold in winter and I'm almost dying in spring because of the pollen, so I haven't been running at all. That's why I got a Balance Ball!!

It was 880 yen at Donki



What am I going to do...
I love Fuji so much, and it's not like I don't want to, but...
...if it comes to that?
SSSS
I'll think about it later when it calls for it.
click
I DON'T HAVE TIME TO PONDER ABOUT IT ANYWAY
rustle
shaking head
shaking head

HEY
Whoa!!!
HOW'S YOUR STUDYING COMING ALONG?
FUJI, INSTEAD OF HANGING AROUND .
SHOULDN'T YOU GO HOME AND STUDY INSTEAD?
turn
Why am I being so self-conscious?
This is bad!
IS IT GOING WELL?
AH. YEAH
HUH...?
YEAH...

OK, YOU WANT ME TO GO HOME... I SEE...
SO IT'S JUST ME WHO'S BEEN FEELING LONELY.
Fuji...
PULL
!!
WHAT IS IT?
ME, TOO.
NO...
THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEANT...
UGH

IDIOT
I'M ALSO REALLY LONELY,
...
hug
!!
HEY!
I GUESS I'M SIMPLY AT MY LIMIT
LET'S SEE EACH OTHER ON SUNDAYS, AT THE VERY LEAST

When you say things like that...
...and with that kind of expression on your face...
How can I possibly say no?
SURE
LET'S STUDY TOGETHER.
YEAH
SEE YA!
I'LL BRING MY TEXT-BOOKS
COME EARLY ON SUNDAY
Excuse me
BUMP
Watch your step!

"Come early..."
Ah, that's right.
It's Sunday, so there's no school.
Yeah...
Of course I'll be going go to his house.
That's right...
Then, it's just going to be the two of us?
JUST THE TWO OF US?
"I guess I'm simply at my limit."
Fuji isn't scheming something like that.
It's not like that!
Crash
Clack

DING DONG
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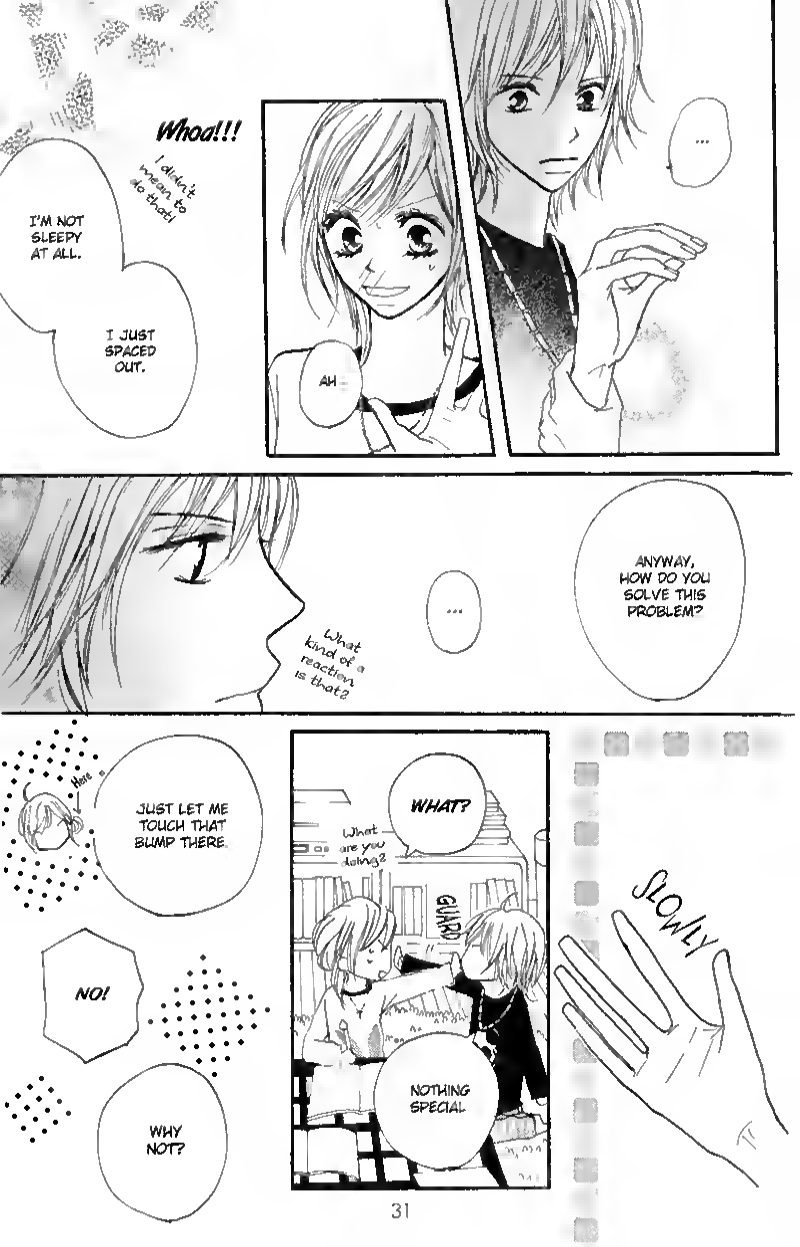
FUJI
HOW COME I'M SO NERVOUS?
SUNDAY
That is not what he meant!
!!
CLICK
HEY, THERE
BADUMP

HEY THERE
COME ON IN
I DON'T HAVE A DESK HERE
Why can't I look him straight in the face?
SO, IS THIS ALL RIGHT?
A TABLE IN FRONT OF HIS BED
thump
YEAH
thump thump
Sees only the bed.
OK, LET'S DO IT.
DO?!
MATH FIRST?
Ah... He meant studying...
COLLAPSE
Things are not going well today.

I can't concentrate at all!
...SO,
YOU CAN USE THIS FORMULA AND THEN IT'S A PIECE OF CAKE
Focus! I must focus!
EH...
SORRY, WHAT DID YOU SAY AGAIN?
ARE YOU LISTENING?
AH.
Thump Thump
Thump Thump
YOU MISSED THIS BEFORE
ARE YOU SLEEPY?
THUMP
SLOW


Whoa!!!
I didn't mean to do that!
I'M NOT SLEEPY AT ALL.
I JUST SPACED OUT.
AH...
...
ANYWAY, HOW DO YOU SOLVE THIS PROBLEM?
...
What kind of a reaction is that?
Here
JUST LET ME TOUCH THAT BUMP THERE.
NO!
WHY NOT?
WHAT?
What are you doing?
GUARD
NOTHING SPECIAL
SLOWLY

Hmm...
BECAUSE I CAN'T CONCENTRATE ON MY STUDIES OTHERWISE!
Isn't this kind of mean?
I'M GOING TO MAKE SOME TEA!
LAUGH
But I'm embarrassed.
And if I act like normal...
SIGH
I know...
...I'm being way too self-conscious.
...things might actually go in that direction...
...
FUJI

distance
EH?
WHY ARE YOU SITTING IN THE CORNER?
BLANK
AND YOU HAVEN'T MADE ANY PROGRESS AT ALL.
WHAT ?!
I HAVE MADE SOME PROG-RESS!
...A lot even!
HUH ?!
WHY ...
BECAUSE IT MAKES IT EASIER FOR ME TO TEACH YOU.
Spartan
IT'S NO GOOD...
COME AND SIT HERE.
Next to me
PAT
HURRY UP
Whoa!
It...
It...

glance
...
...can't be!
humming
I'M A BIT HUNGRY SO I'M GOING TO THE CONVENIENCE STORE.
YOU...
HE'S SO CLOSE.
OK
SIT
I'm going to get mad if you do that again.
HOW ABOUT SETTLING DOWN AND DO SOME SERIOUS STUDYING?
BUT...
HEY, FUJI, AREN'T YOU HUNGRY?
HUH?
WHY ARE YOU SO FLUSHED?
EH?

IT'S OK.
I'M FINE, SO PLEASE LEAVE ME ALONE!
I'M FINE.
LET ME CHECK
Whoa ...!
I REALLY AM FINE!
DO YOU HAVE A FEVER?
HAH
Ah...
Oops...
AH...
That was a little too much...
FUJI, I'M SORRY.

I DON'T UNDERSTAND YOU TODAY.
WHAT'S THE MATTER?
Eh...?
EH.
OR IS IT THAT YOU CAN'T TELL ME?
I can't tell him...
NO...
IT'S NOT LIKE THAT!
IT'S REALLY NOTHING!
IF YOU HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY THEN TELL ME
YOU'RE ACTING WEIRD...
AND YOU KEEP SPACING OUT

I GET WORRIED WHEN YOU ARE ACTING WEIRD.
I AM WORRIED!
SO DON'T WORRY
THAT'S BECAUSE

I WAS SCARED...
HUH? SCARED OF WHAT?
Don't look
...
OF DOING IT

HUH ?!
What are you talking about?!
RUFFLE
RUFFLE
IT'S BECAUSE MY FRIENDS MENTIONED IT BEFORE AND HERE WE ARE; JUST THE TWO OF US IN THIS CLOSED ROOM!
SO I WAS WORRIED, THAT THINGS MIGHT GO IN THAT DIRECTION ...
I COULDN'T STOP THINKING ABOUT IT ...
IS THAT WHAT YOU'VE BEEN THINKING ABOUT ALL ALONG?
SHRINKING
I'M SORRY
...
EXHAUSTED
Eh...?
URGH ...
I THOUGHT YOU DIDN'T LIKE ME ANYMORE
WHY DID YOU THINK THAT?
BECAUSE ...

DON'T WORRY ABOUT A THING
What am I beast?
...YOU HAVE BEEN EXPLICITLY AVOIDING ME.
It hurt me a lot!
SORRY
I WAS ON MY GUARD
ruffle
IT'S OK.
I'LL WAIT FOR YOU.
...

I REALLY LOVE YOU A LOT.
YOU KNOW.
SIGH
YEAH.
I KNOW.

Why did I worry so much?
My stupid worries...
...Fuji understands them all.

WELL, LET'S STUDY.
I feel refreshed without any distracting thoughts!!
turn
COLLAPSE
Fuji teach me this
...
SAKURA,
I SAID I'D WAIT FOR YOU EARLIER, BUT—
ACTUALLY, I'D LIKE FOR IT TO HAPPEN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE
...

YOU WERE THINKING ABOUT SOMETHING ELSE
HA HA
EVEN THOUGH I STUDIED SO HARD!
thump
thump
thump
Thump
ARGH, I'M DONE FOR ....
HOW COME I DON'T REMEMBER MUCH ?!
I don't have any confidence at all!!
MATH I
SLIDE
!!
RUMBLING
RUMBLING
ARE YOU READY?
RUMBLING
RUMBLING
I'm done for...
YES
START.
I HOPE IT WON'T BE TOO HARD
FLIP
Ah...
It's the same problem that I did with Fuji!
Problem 1
On the coordinate plane... point P
FUJI
Make-Up Exam in Math
Class 2
Problem 1. On the coordi
plane... point P

"Good luck."
GOOD LUCK
Yeah...
Be serious
EH HE HE
Good luck!
It's over !!!
GREAT! I DID REALLY WELL!
GOOD FOR YOU
Let's go home

WHAT?
stick
That's because I'm so happy...
...just being with you, Fuji...
I'M HUNGRY!
WANNA GO TO THE MO'S?
YEAH.

Make-up Exam Answer Sheet

Class 2-2 Ryouko

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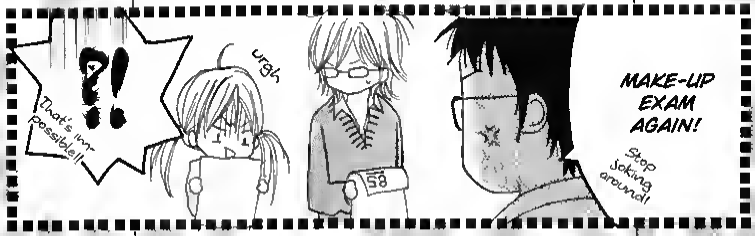

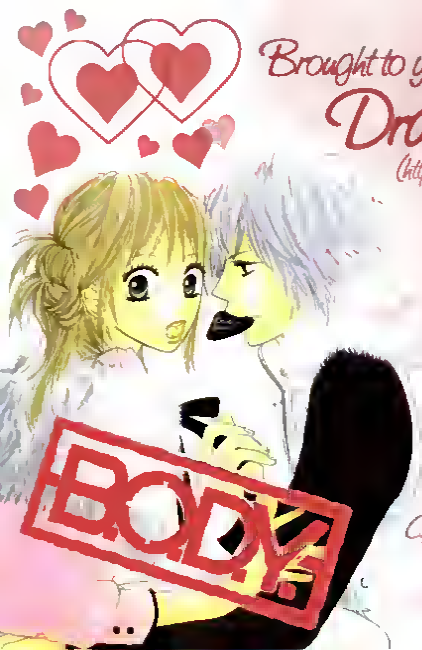

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Letters from readers

I've dedicated this page to answer some of the letters that you, my readers, have sent me!! Usually I'm unable to write back, so I hope you'll enjoy this section instead. Now then, let's get started.

"Today, I tried to buy *B.O.D.Y.* at a bookstore, but my mom got very angry and said that it was too soon for me to read stuff like that and that it was for high school girls. However, I thought there was no erotic stuff in it, so..."
H.Y. Kagoshima Prefecture

H.Y-san's mother, I'm writing and drawing *B.O.D.Y.* without any erotic scenes so far. So, rest assured!! Once again I emphasize that there are no erotic scenes!

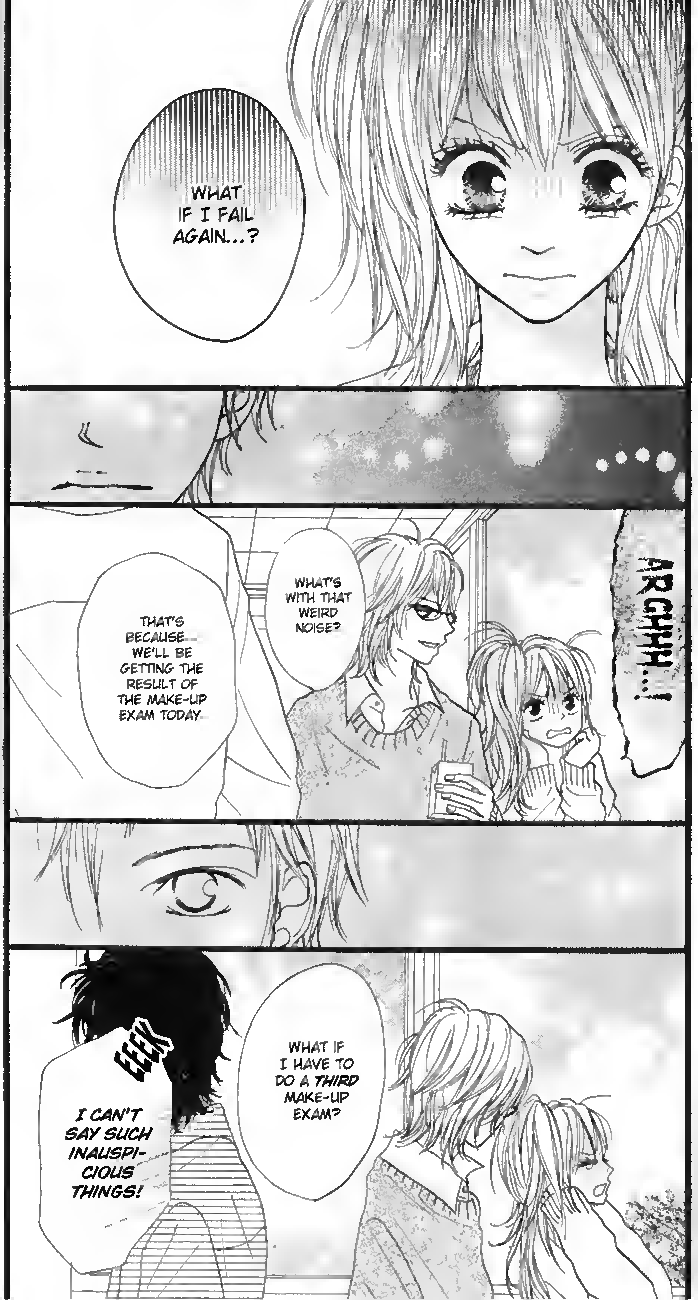
"My boyfriend and I can't see each other often because of club activities. I wasn't even able to see him on Christmas Day, but he visited me at home and brought *B.O.D.Y.* He knew I liked it, so he had gone out of his way to buy it for me." ♡K.M. Fukuoka Prefecture

That's so cute. It makes me all warm inside. *B.O.D.Y.* was in the scene of two young people's lives! Wow, I'm really happy!! Give my thanks to the boyfriend!! Be happy!!

"The reason I started reading *B.O.D.Y.* was because, when my mom and I went to a bookstore together, she told me it was really good and that the boyfriend was a host."
S.Y. Saitama Prefecture

H.Y-san's mom from Kagoshima. As you can see from the comment above, *B.O.D.Y.* is suitable for anyone, mother or daughter, so please don't worry!!

To be continued.....


WHAT IF I FAIL AGAIN...?
ARGHHH...!
WHAT'S WITH THAT WEIRD NOISE?
THAT'S BECAUSE— WE'LL BE GETTING THE RESULT OF THE MAKE-UP EXAM TODAY.
WHAT IF I HAVE TO DO A THIRD MAKE-UP EXAM?
EEEK!
I CAN'T SAY SUCH INAUSPI-CIOUS THINGS!

Finally I'm free
I let you get away for now Teacher
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SHAKE SHAKE
IT'S BEEN SO LONG
THAT'S GOOD.
Since the last chapter Ryouko had been forced to attend to extra lessons everyday.
I CAN'T DO THIS ANY-MORE!!
I wanna go home
THAT'S MY LINE!
The teacher
RATTLE RATTLE

OK!! Let's go out, Fuji.
What do you say?
FIRST OF ALL, I'M HUNGRY!!
OK.
BUT THERE'S A MOVIE I'VE BEEN WANTING TO WATCH!
You sure have a lot of energy.
YEAH..

THEN, LET'S GO TO SHINJUKU
Yeah.
SENPAI!
Which movie do you want to watch?
Well

FUJI-SENPAI...
RIGHT?
YEAH...
Oh. AWESOME! YOU'RE THE REAL THING!
Huh?
Senpai?
Is he a freshman?
HUH?
I'M A BIG FAN OF YOURS!

AH...
WHO ARE YOU?
AH, SORRY! I'M SHIRAI, A FRESHMAN
A FAN...
YOU MUST BE MISTAKEN.
That's highly unlikely.
TO BE PRECISE,
I'M A FAN OF RYUU-SAN, THE HOST.

What did he just say?!
I THINK IT WAS "CLUB B," RIGHT?
The club that is.
YOU WERE THE BEST HIGH-SCHOOL HOST OVER THERE
I HEARD THAT YOU SUDDENLY QUIT, EVEN THOUGH YOU WERE REALLY POPULAR
Eh...?

BUT I DIDN'T EXPECT YOU TO ATTEND THE SAME SCHOOL AS ME!
How come he knows so much?
Who's this boy...?
What if he exposes it...?
YOU ARE SO COOL...

I WANT TO BE LIKE YOU!!
Huh?
ACTUALLY, I'M ALSO WORKING
Just between you and me
WHAT DO YOU MEAN...?
AH
I'M STILL A ROOKIE, THOUGH.
HUH?!
Wait... Wait a minute.
Is he a host as well ...?

Is it the end of the world?!
I mean, how many beasts are there in my school?
SAKURA!
FLASH!
ARE YOU OK?
YEAH... I just got dizzy
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
ARE YOU HIS GIRL-FRIEND?
TWITCH
YEAH..
Nice to...
I WANT TO BE LIKE SENPAI.
EH?
Shake Shake
NICE TO MEET YOU.
I'm Sakura!

IT MUST BE SOME FATE
I WON'T CAUSE YOU ANY TROUBLE, SO
CAN YOU TEACH ME HOW TO BE ATTRACTIVE?
What?
What is he saying ...?
SENPAI IS REALLY COOL,
AND IT LOOKS LIKE YOU KNOW A LOT
PLEASE

Eh...?
OK.
IF YOU WANT ME TO
REALLY ?!
Great!
Fuji...?
I HAVE WORK TODAY.
SO I'M GONNA MEET UP WITH YOU TOMORROW.
SURE.
...

OK, LET'S GO.
FUJI.
IS THIS REALLY OK? THE WHOLE THING FEELS WEIRD
WELL HE LOOKS PRETTY HARMLESS
YEAH, BUT...
HE'S KIND OF STRANGE, ISN'T HE?
I CAN'T REALLY SAY FOR SURE...
Pat♡
IT'S OK FOR NOW.
EH?
For now?
YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT IT

② I just bought the balance ball, so I don't know its effect yet, but I keep trying it.

I was exchanging e-mails with Karuho Shiina-chan the other day, and she asked me, "What are you doing?" so I replied, "I was sniffing my toe nails," and then she cracked up. She really liked it, saying, "I've never known a person who would say something like that, ha ha ha hal", and it made me happy!! Gladly I replied "Ha ha ha! I've always been living honestly up 'til now. But, don't you sniff... too?"

Sniff Sniff

Karuho-chan is always supportive of me, so I feel happy. Not many people praise me lately. I gained weight, too. Boohoo...

Ai-chan, you're doing great!

Really? Hee hee hee hee

NERVOUS
I can't tell them that it's host related...
I DON'T KNOW THE SITUATION WELL ENOUGH
HMM...
Ever since that day...
HE SURE COMES HERE A LOT LATELY.
HERE HE COMES AGAIN
WHAT KIND OF A RELATIONSHIP DO THEY HAVE?
The same shorty high?
BUMP
Whoa!
Senpai, where do you cut your hair?
It's like this everyday...
What kind of music do you like?
PUSH
Ouch!
Honestly, it's really annoying!
BUT...
Did you get gifts from customers?
DISTANCE

DOES HE HAVE A GIRL-FRIEND?
YOU HAVE A BOYFRIEND ALREADY!!
GAH!
IT'S THE DEVIL!
HE'S KIND OF CUTE
My type
HUH?!
HUH?! AGAIN?!
How many times?
WELL, YOU KNOW, SHE BECOMES BLIND WHEN SHE'S IN LOVE...
HER BOYFRIEND WAS CHEATING ON HER...
Didn't I tell you?
one lost ghost
two lost ghosts
THUMP
WHY?
NOT THAT BOY!
You're possessed!!
SORRY
SO, PLEASE INTRO-DUCE HIM TO ME!

IDIOT!!
That's why you get cheated on!
I'M OK WITH SUFFERING
I can't introduce a host to my friend!!
YOU'RE DEFINITELY GONNA SUFFER WITH HIM
ANYWAY, I REALLY CAN'T.
Stingy.
Hmm
I don't want to recommend him...
...for some reason.
Even if he wasn't,
It's not just because he's a host, but...

I feel ur comfortable with him.
THANKS FOR THIS BOOK
IT'S VERY FUNNY...
ESPECIALLY THIS...
POP
WHAT IS THAT?
TWITCH
!
Here he is...
TAKE...
Kohke books
flip
EH, FUJI-SENPAI READS STUFF LIKE THIS?
IS IT GOOD?

YOU CAN HAVE IT
I've read it many times
EH?
Yay!
Urgh...
I'm gonna get my scarf
WHERE ARE YOU GOING TODAY?
EH?
I HAVE SOME TIME BEFORE MY JOB STARTS
AREN'T YOU HUNGRY?
LET'S GO AND EAT SOMETHING
SORRY, BUT...
WE'RE GONNA STUDY AT MY PLACE TODAY, AND.
WE NEED TO GO HOME SOON

OF COURSE
I'M REALLY A NUISANCE.
I'M SORRY, I'LL BE GOING HOME, THEN
Ah...
...
WHERE'S SHIRAI?
HE LEFT WITHOUT TELLING ME?
HOW RARE.
I don't care, anyway

HEY, WAIT...
EH?
DASH
Ah...
I WAS CHILDISH
FLIP
HE'S READING THE BOOK...

STEP
...desperate to be like Fuji...
He must be...
CLOSE
STARTLED
SILLY

RUSTLE
Eh...?
THUMP
hide
What?

He...
He trashed it?
THUMP
THUMP
Why...
Why?
But he just looked very happy a moment ago.
PAT
What does it mean...?
AHHH!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
WHAT HAP-PENED?
SAKURA?
You don't have to be so surprised
THUMP THUMP THUMP
AH...
RUSTLE
"Silly."
OH, NOTHING
LET'S GO
I can't tell him...

That boy...
What does he want?
He'd be sad if he heard about it.
?
Here he comes...
CAN I GO WITH YOU?
IF YOU'D LIKE
GLANCE
turn
NOW
HELLO.

What was that all about yesterday?
He's acting just as usual...
THEN, I'M GOING THIS WAY
HUH?
DIDN'T I TELL YOU THAT I'M GOING TO A DENTIST?
NO, YOU DIDN'T. YOU DIDN'T. I DIDN'T KNOW!!
HA HA
DON'T LAUGH.
THEN, I CAN TAKE HER HOME
HUH?
OK, THANKS
No problem
HEY, FUJI...!
EHHH ?!
What——?!

Usually you get jealous for no reason, but why not today?!
Why?!
I've been wanting to ask you for a while.
Really, Fuji-senpai is used to dealing with women.
Honestly, is he good at having sex, too?
Eh...
Really?
I don't know much about that.
Yes, if not, he wouldn't have been the best at the club

IT'S USELESS IF I ASK HIM THIS QUESTION
Eh?
SO, I HAVE TO ASK SOMEONE WHO'S DONE IT WITH HIM
HOW WAS IT?
HOW—? WHAT KIND OF QUESTION IS THAT?!
BECAUSE IT'S VERY IMPORTANT FOR A HOST.
What is he saying?!
I DON'T KNOW. BECAUSE WE HAVEN'T DONE IT YET!

HUH? YOU'RE KIDDING...
IT'S TRUE!!
DON'T ASK ME THAT STUPID QUESTION!
WHAT'S UP WITH THAT?
HE'S JUST A WIMP.

Eh...?
HE'S NOT THAT GREAT AFTER ALL.
HE CAN'T EVEN GET SEX AFTER GOING OUT WITH SOMEONE FOR A MONTH?
I FEEL STUPID,
LIKE I'M WASTING MY TIME
...
WHAT IS IT..?
I DON'T UNDER-STAND..
WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY IT'S A WASTE OF YOUR TIME?!
LET GO OF ME.

I'M DONE WITH PLAYING A FAN.
PLAYING A FAN.. ?
YOU'RE SLOW, URGH
EH?
IT'S ALL LIES.
Lies?
I WONDERED HOW COOL HE MIGHT BE
HE'S CLOSE TO MY AGE AND I DON'T KNOW WHY, BUT HE'S FAMOUS, SO
I JUST WANTED TO KNOW HOW HE IS

So,
IT'S EASY TO BE CLOSE TO HIM IF I SAY I'M HIS FAN.
Easier to say on.
every thing was...
...to get close to Fuji?
BUT I QUIT DOING THAT NOW.
I GOT MY ASSESS-MENT.
On Fuji
EH...?
ABOUT A C MINUS.

I DON'T THINK I'M ANY WORSE THAN THAT.
WHY IS HE SO POPULAR?
HE'S PLAIN AND NOT FUN AT ALL.
WHAT DO YOU LIKE ABOUT HIM?
FUJI DOESN'T...

...RANK PEOPLE AS IF HE'S SOMEONE IMPORTANT.
BEFORE YOU FEEL ANY RIVALRY FROM SOMEONE, YOU SHOULD POLISH YOURSELF FIRST
NOW YOU NOT ONLY CAN'T BEAT FUJI, BUT...
!
Were you watching me?
HE DOESN'T EASILY THROW AWAY A BOOK SOMEONE GAVE HIM.
AND HE DOESN'T SPY ON PEOPLE.

GRAB
CLENCH
AHHH...
I HEARD THAT FUJI CARES ABOUT YOU A LOT.
...NO ONE WILL ALSO LOVE YOU FOR THE REST OF YOUR LIFE.

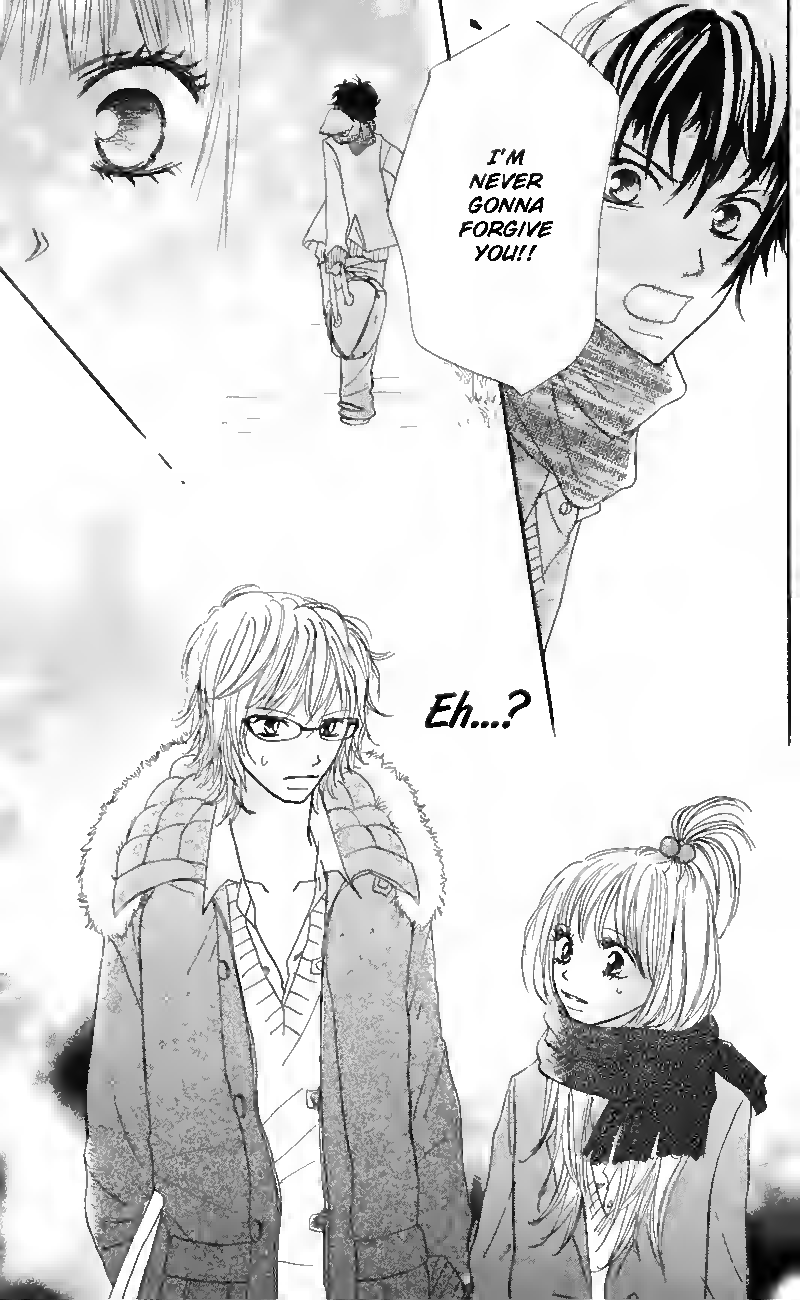
CAN I BREAK YOU?
GET YOUR HANDS OFF OF ME, IDIOT.
STOP...
SHF
THAT'S ENOUGH.
Don't touch her!

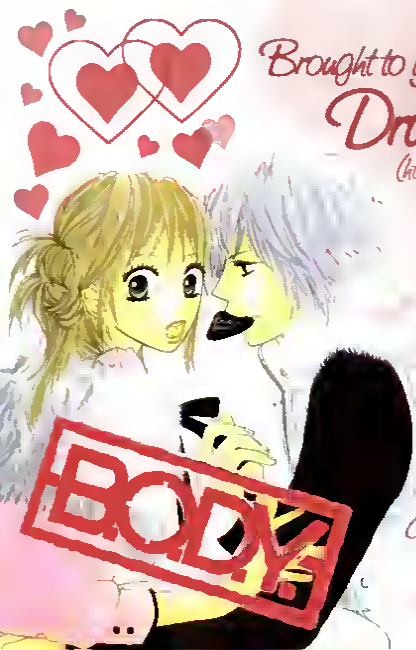
Eh?
I was impressed by your verbal shots
...
SORRY I WASN'T QUICK ENOUGH.
I didn't come out soon enough
EH?
FUJI..?
Why
WHAT...
WHY ARE YOU HERE?
YOU SAID YOU HAD TO GO TO A DOCTOR OR SOMETHING
IT WAS A LIE.

I'M TIRED OF DEALING WITH YOUR WEIRD ACTING
Eh...?
So, Fuji...
I THOUGHT YOU'D BE MORE HONEST IF YOU WERE ALONE WITH SAKURA
So I was waiting.
I'VE HAD ENOUGH, AS WELL
I KNEW SOMETHING WAS SUSPICIOUS FROM THE START.
I WAS WATCHING YOU BEC. USE I DIDN'T KNOW WHAT YOU WANTED.

Fuji knew...
...
Uh.
It means, he was...
I'm getting him
Seanpai!
acting
Ha ha ha
WHAT DOES HE WANT?
BUT IT'S A LOT DUMBER THAN I THOUGHT.
I see...
PFFT.
how uncool.

BLUSH
PFFT...
SAKURA
Don't hold back your laughter if you want to laugh
...TCH.
YOU GUYS KNOCK IT OFF!
DON'T MAKE A FOOL OUT OF ME...
DON'T GET CONCEITED!


I'M NEVER GONNA FORGIVE YOU!!
Eh...?



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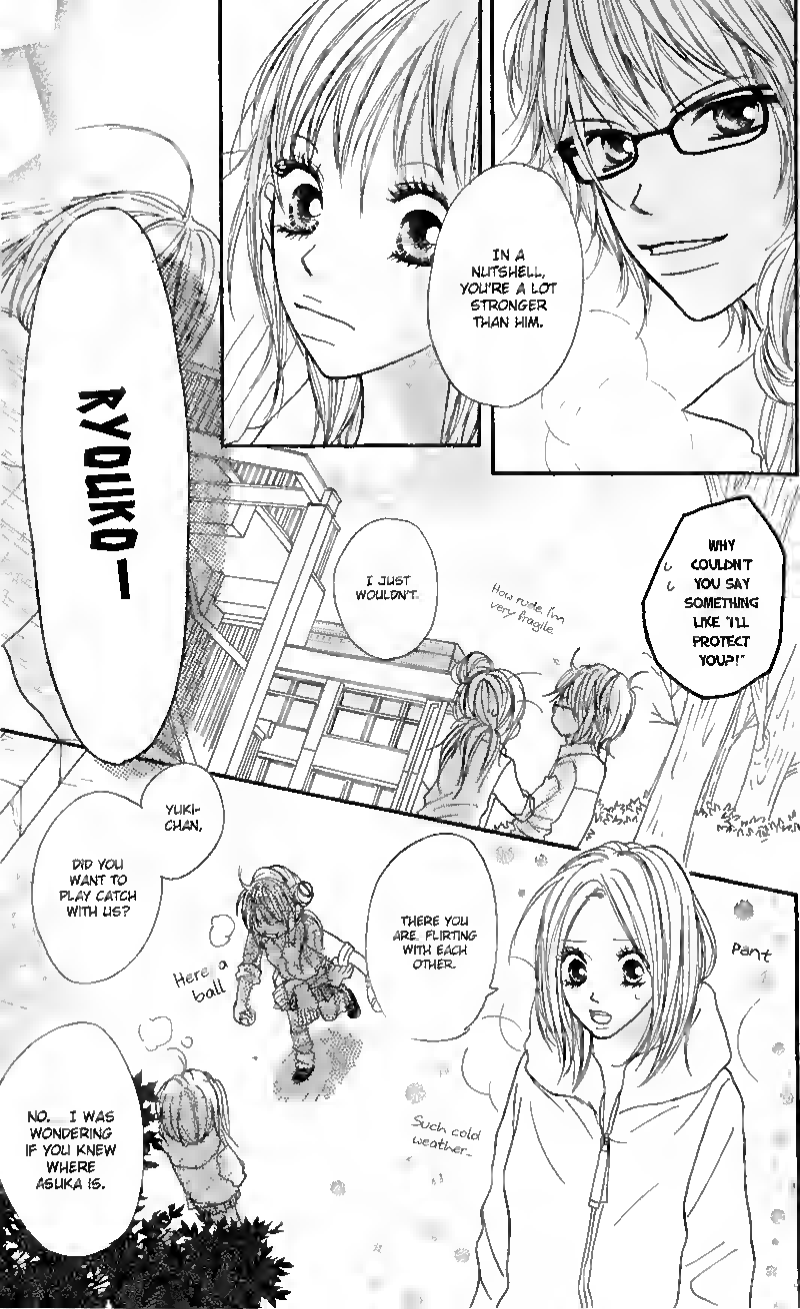
Nuuu
...
"I'm never gonna forgive you."
It's been a week since...

No one's behind me to push me
There's no sign of his harassment
but there has been no sign of his harassment.
worried
worried
I know I took tight security measures,
No bomb
I assumed various possible outcomes from him.
BLOCKED CALLER ID REJECTED
rustle
rustle
rustle
humming
THUMP
SWAT
CATCH
WHAT IS HE THINKING? BASTARD!!
I TOLD YOU
How high can you jump?
During a lunch break playing catch.
HE HASN'T DONE ANYTHING SO FAR AND IT'S BEEN A WHILE.
HE JUST SAID THAT OUT OF ANGER
...

HE MIGHT BE WATCHING US, EVEN NOW
Looking around
Looking around
It started again.
IT'LL BE FINE
BUT...
I'M A FAN OF THE HOST, RYUHEI-KUN
HE'S THE KIND OF PERSON WHO WOULD DO SUCH A NASTY THING.
SHE LIKES HIM.
WHAT DO YOU LIKE ABOUT HIM?
JUST BECAUSE HE DIDN'T LIKE THE FACT FUJI WAS MORE FAMOUS THAN HIM
SILLY
Huh, tired
I DON'T THINK HE COULD DO ANYTHING BIG
WELL...
AND...


RYOUKO!
IN A NUTSHELL, YOU'RE A LOT STRONGER THAN HIM.
WHY COULDN'T YOU SAY SOMETHING LIKE "I'LL PROTECT YOU?!"
I JUST WOULDN'T.
How rude, I'm very fragile.
YUKI-CHAN, DID YOU WANT TO PLAY CATCH WITH US?
THERE YOU ARE, FLIRTING WITH EACH OTHER.
Pant
Here a ball
Such cold weather.
NO... I WAS WONDERING IF YOU KNEW WHERE ASUKA IS.

EH...? I DON'T IS SHE GONE?
YEAH.
SHE WASN'T THERE WHEN I CAME BACK FROM THE BATHROOM
rub
rub
I MEAN, SHE'S BEEN GOING SOMEWHERE RIGHT AFTER LUNCH LATELY
You go somewhere with Fuji too
exhale
HMM
I GUESS SHE'S POOPING?
u...
WHERE ?!
AH!! ASUKA!!
ISN'T THAT HER OVER THERE?
On the rooftop

WHAT IS SHE DOING THERE...?
!!!
Eh?
And then they disappeared.
...

TOSS
YUKI-CHAN TAKE CARE OF THESE FOR ME
OOP!
WHOA
FUJI
YEAH
It was
I saw t
HEY RYOUKO ?!
Why.
Why was he with Asuka?
I wonder...

What if he's up to something with Asuka as some sort of retaliation?
BANG
Part

!
RYOUKO ?!
WHY ARE YOU HERE ?
GRAB
HEY.
DON'T TOUCH ASUKA.

RYOUKO.
Calm down
ASUKA ARE YOU OK?! NE DIDN'T DO ANY-THING. DID HE?!
WHAT ARE YOU UP TO?!
WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO DO TO MY FRIEND ?
IT'S NOT LIKE THAT.
WE'RE TOGETHER NOW.

Eh...?
HE TOLD ME ABOUT FIVE DAYS AGO.
I'VE BEEN MEANING TO TELL YOU, BUT...
IT'S NOT ASUKA-CHAN'S FAULT.
You've got to be kidding me!
He and Asuka...?
SORRY.
Forgive me!!

I TOLD HER
TO JUST KEEP IT BETWEEN US BECAUSE IT'S EMBARRASSING
DON'T GET MAD LIKE THAT, PLEASE
...
Before we noticed it...
What is going on?
HEY, WAIT...
WHAT'S GOING ON?
...

WHY DO YOU OBJECT TO KO-CHAN SO MUCH?
HE'S KOSUKE SHIRAI, SO IT'S KO-CHAN I mean
KO-CHAN?!
Makes him sound like a simple guy
Let me go Asuka He needs to be punished!
WHAT ARE YOU--
GRAB
RYOUKO, COME WITH ME
Because he is a host.
I think he was planning something when he asked Asuka out.
And he's very nasty.
WHAT'S YOUR REASON?

But how can I explain it to her?
Where do I start?
I DON'T KNOW HOW...
...
THEN, DON'T SAY ANYTHING.
EH...
Got it?
Asuka...
THE BELL RANG
BECAUSE I THINK HE'S NICE.
SO, JUST BE QUIET AND WATCH US FROM THE SIDELINES.
YEAH

FUJI
IT'S KIND OF COMPLI-CATED...
YEAH...
BUT...

Recently I've liked the daytime historical dramas on TV and I watch them a lot. I'm watching a program now while I'm writing this. I like those dramas and 2ShoTan2 (A TV program of Traditional Japanese comedy) though I wasn't interested in them before. I guess I'm getting old.

And I always watch the programs about ancient civilizations or the world heritages. Like, Mystery Circle. As I wrote in my book before I really like them. And, what was it? Oh, yeah, Sky Fish? What is it? So mysterious. Why can't they catch it? I mean, what is it? It's not a bird. It's not really something from space is it? I want to know.

Also there are those human shaped objects floating in the air that are often witnessed in Mexico or somewhere around it!! What are they?! I'm so scared of them!! If I run into something like that, gosh, I'm going to faint!! But I want to know what it is!! I hope there's going to be a special TV program about this stuff.

SAKURA?
WAIT, ASUKA.
...
WE SHOULD GO HOME, TOO.
WHY DON'T WE GO HOME TOGETHER, JUST THE FOUR OF US?
HUH? WELL, IT'S FINE, BUT
REALLY? WAIT, THEN.

AH...
PULL
!!
WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY JUST THE FOUR OF US?
I DON'T WANT TO.
YEAH ...
I KNEW YOU WERE GONNA SAY THAT.
You big baboon.
EVEN IF IT WASN'T HIM, IT'S BECAUSE ASUKA ALWAYS GET CARRIED AWAY WHEN IN LOVE.
AND NOW THE GUY WHO SHE IS GOING OUT WITH...
that sociopath.
BUT I'M SO WORRIED

WHY DOES IT HAVE TO BE TODAY?
SIGH
EH?
PLEASE, JUST FOR TODAY, LET ME WATCH OVER THEM CLOSELY, OK?
Please?
WHAT...
IT'S FINE I UNDERSTAND LET'S GO.
AH..
SORRY
I'M READY
RYOUKO.
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
Don't you want to go?

glance
silence
Fuji...
Is he mad?
AUTO DOOR OPENING
HEY...
WAIT, FUJI...
I WANT TO GO IN THERE A LITTLE
PULL
HUH?
I need to tell Asuka
FUJI!
OF COURSE, I WANT TO BE ALONE WITH HIM, TOO
Idiot
Watch & jewelry
A.O.

WOW!
THERE'S A LOT OF CUTE STUFF!!
walking around rustly
SO CUTE!
COOL!
ISN'T THAT NICE?
YEAH!!
PUT IT ON.
CUTE!
THE PERFECT SIZE FOR YOU.
YEAH.

I'm putting it back
BUT I HAVE NO INTENTION TO BUY IT
EXCUSE ME
CAN WE GET THIS?
Eh...?
I DON'T NEED IT, IT'S TOO EXPENSIVE !!
IT'S OK
IT'S FOR YOUR BIRTHDAY
Eh?!
WOULD YOU LIKE IT GIFT WRAPPED?
YES
HEY, FUJI!

November 22
!!
AHHHHHHH!!!
Yeah!!
automatic door opens
ISN'T IT YOUR BIRTHDAY?
I totally forgot...
EH..
DIDN'T YOU RE-MEMBER?
HOW CAN YOU FORGET?
Your own birthday?
"I don't want to."
I wonder...
Did you say that because of this?
pinch
BECAUSE YOU THINK ABOUT OTHERS ALL THE TIME

HERE
IT'S A WEIRD WAY TO GIVE YOU THIS, BUT...
HAPPY BIRTHDAY.
Idiot
Fuji...

HEY,
DON'T DISAPPEAR ALL OF A SUDDEN
I MEAN, WHAT DID YOU MAKE HIM BUY FOR YOU?!
Unfair!!
MY BIRTHDAY GIFT.
EH?!
Is t today?!
IS IT YOUR BIRTHDAY?
Oops I forgot

THANK YOU.
What should I do?
I really like him.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
smile
!
RYOUKO, SORRY!
Creep!
THANKS
WOW.
THANKS.
It's big.
I FORGOT YOUR BIRTHDAY, YESTERDAY ;;
IT'S LATE, BUT HAPPY BIRTHDAY
I ENVY YOU
WHAT DID HE BUY FOR YOU?
I DON'T WANT TO OPEN IT NOW BECAUSE IT'S WRAPPED SO NICELY
Let me see
It's not much
They look expensive!!
Oh, the premier comics that I've been wanting!!
They were cheap
HEY,

looking around
$85 JUST FOR NOW
IT IS REALLY SLIDDEN
HOW MUCH?
YOU TWO!
I KNOW IT'S SLIDDEN, BUT WOULD YOU LIKE TO BUY THIS SWEATER?
85 dollars?!
BUT IT'S CUTE, ISN'T IT? BUY IT.
THAT'S TOO EXPENSIVE!!
Stop complaining
And it's a weirdlooking sweater
How much did you pay for it?!
KO-CHAN'S BIRTHDAY IS COMING UP NEXT WEEK.
WHAT IS IT ALL OF A SLIDDEN?
WELL...
ACTUALLY,

I HEARD ABOUT IT AFTER WE SEPARATED FROM YOU YESTERDAY
BUT I DON'T HAVE ANY MONEY ON ME NOW
HMM
Eh...?
LAUGH
I HAVE SOMETHING I WANT TO GIVE HIM.
ASUKA'S DOING IT AGAIN...
YEAH
She serves for her boyfriend
HAPPY BIRTHDAY
That smile...
...
AH,
HEY, WOULD SOMEONE LIKE TO BUY THIS?
How much?
84 dollars.
That's too expensive, you idiot
ha ha ha ha

It makes me kind of worried...
RYOUKO—
YOU'RE STILL TRYING?
NO ONE BOUGHT IT...
And it stretched
stretched
FINE... I'M GONNA SELL IT TO MY SIS AT HOME...
sniff
HEY.
ARE YOU GOING HOME WITH SHIRAI-KUN TODAY, TOO?
Bye-bye
NO.
KO-CHAN HAS A PART-TIME JOB TODAY

A karaoke place?
Eh...?
HE'S WORKING AT A KARAOKE PLACE NEAR THE TRAIN STATION
Yoo-hoo!
LET'S GO THERE TOGETHER SOMEDAY
EVEN WHEN HE'S WORKING.
KO-CHAN SENDS ME EMAILS
...lied to her.
OK?
hah
YEAH
He...
HE EVEN CALLS ME EVERYDAY
HE'S SO NICE AND...

I'VE GONE OUT WITH LESSER GUYS BEFORE, SO...
I FEEL SO LOVED.
I'M SO HAPPY NOW.
Asuka...
THAT'S WHY I WANT TO GIVE HIM SOMETHING HE REALLY LIKES
...
OH. MY. WHAT AM I TALKING ABOUT?!
How embarrassing
What am I anyways?!
HEY, DON'T TELL WHAT I JUST SAID TO ANY-BODY...

SHIRAI—
Silence
Or Im gonna kill you
floating
haa
haa
KOSUKE SHIRAI!
pant
pant

steps
steps
WHAT?
WHAT ARE YOU PLANNING TO DO WITH ASUKA?
YOU LIED TO HER AND TOLD HER THAT YOU WORK AT A KARAOKE PLACE...
ASUKA BELIEVES EVERYTHING YOU SAY.
IF YOU'RE JUST PLAYING AROUND WITH HER...
...STOP IT BEFORE SHE GETS SERIOUS ABOUT YOU.

NO ONE WILL LOVE YOU FOR THE REST OF YOUR LIFE
Ah...
WHAT HAPPENED TO NO ONE LOVING ME FOR THE REST OF MY LIFE?
BEFORE SHE GETS SERIOUS
LOOKS LIKE THERE'S AT LEAST ONE.
!!
steps
SORRY
YOU
steps

GRAB
AH!
YOU WOULD RESENT SUCH A SILLY THING?!
Get your hands off me!
WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO DO ?
FUJI-KUN HAS BECOME WEAK
HE'S HAPPY WHEN HE GIVES A GIFT TO A GIRL.
Isn't that the one he gave you?
!!
FOR A HOST,
A GIFT IS NOT WHAT HE GIVES BUT WHAT HE RECEIVES

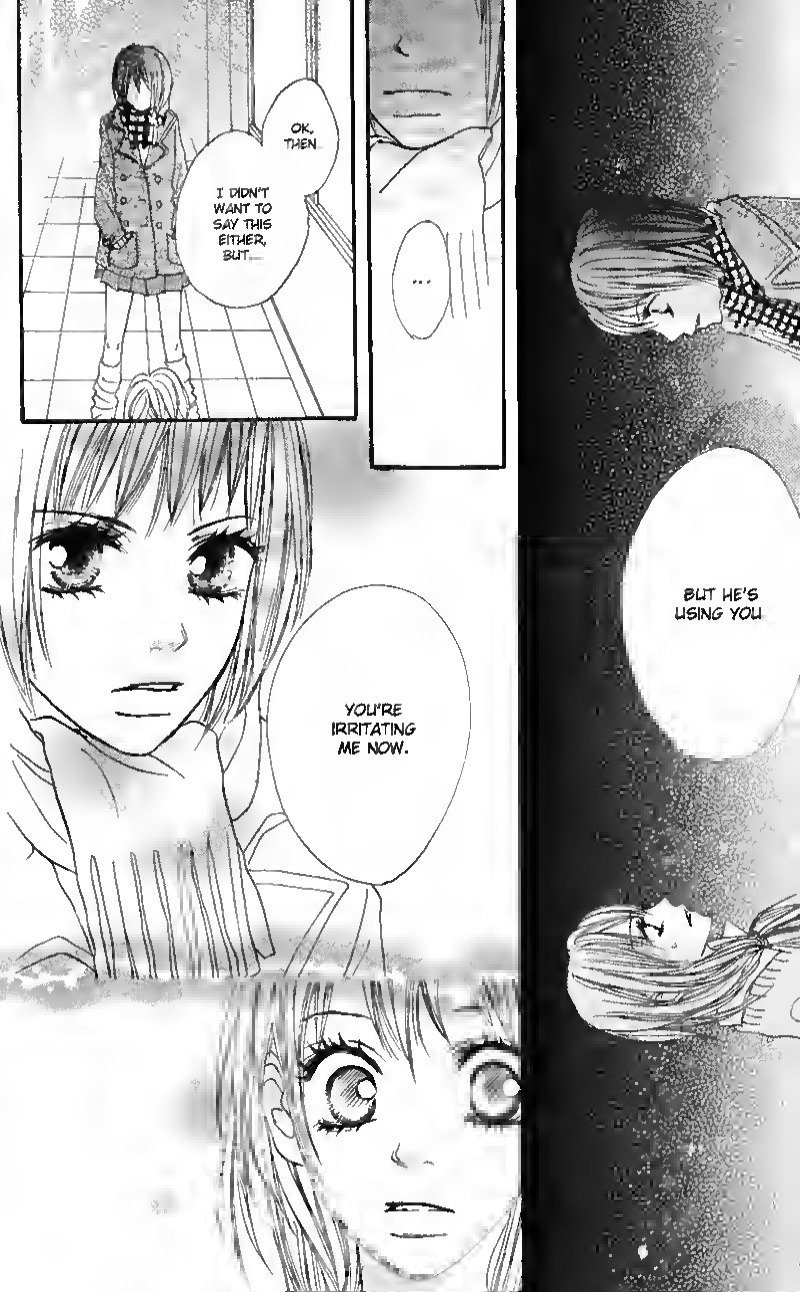
WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO MAKE ASUKA BUY FOR YOU?!
DON'T SAY IT LIKE IT'S SOMETHING AWFUL
SHE TOLD ME THAT SHE'LL "BUY IT."
I JUST SAID THAT I LIKED THE WATCH...
A WATCH ?!
HOW MUCH IS IT..?
I DON'T KNOW. I DIDN'T SEE THE TAG.
BUT I GUESS IT'S NO MATCH FOR THE RING
CAN I GO NOW? I NEED TO GO TO WORK
HEY!
Oh, my...
steps
steps

I'M TELLING YOU, I'M NOT GONNA BREAK UP WITH HER.
BECAUSE IT'S JUST GETTING INTERESTING.
"I feel so loved."
"I'm so happy."
"Because I thought he was nice."

I can't.
"Just be quiet and watch us from the sidelines."
I can't be quiet.
SORRY...
DON'T GO AWAY IN THE MIDDLE OF A CONVERSATION.
I looked so silly
...
ASUKA.
AH.
HERE YOU ARE.

PLEASE, LISTEN TO WHAT I'M SAYING RIGHT NOW.
EH?
What? You're being scary
GRAB
SHIRAI-KUN TOLD YOU THAT HE WORKS AT A KARAOKE PLACE, RIGHT?
YEAH
THAT'S A LIE
HE IS ACTUALLY ...
...A HOST.
EH?
HE TALKS LIKE A NICE GUY, BUT HE'S ACTUALLY A NASTY HOST.
I'M SORRY THAT I DIDN'T TELL YOU SOONER... BUT IT'S BETTER LATE THAN NEVER.

Stupid
I..
WHERE DID YOU HEAR THAT?
CALM DOWN IT'S IMPOSSIBLE FOR KO-CHAN TO BE A HOST
Calm down
HEY, RYOUKO
BREAK UP WITH HIM RIGHT NOW...
I DIDN'T WANT TO SAY SOMETHING LIKE THIS, BUT...
YOU CAN'T SPEND ANY MONEY ON A GIFT FOR HIM
HE'S DECEIVING YOU, ASUKA.
ANYWAY,


OK, THEN...
I DIDN'T WANT TO SAY THIS EITHER, BUT...
...
BUT HE'S USING YOU
YOU'RE IRRITATING ME NOW.

IF ACCUSE SOMEONE OF SOMETHING, THEN YOU SHOULD HAVE EVIDENCE TO BACK IT UP.
SHOW ME, THEN.
Eh...?
IF YOU ARE MAKING THIS UP,
THEN I'M GONNA BE MAD AT YOU.

"At my school, we have a fad for a love spell that goes like this. You write down the name of the man you like on a new eraser. When you use it up, your love will be fulfilled. I wrote down B.O.D.Y.'s Fuji-kun's name on my eraser."
U.K. Fukushima prefecture

How cute!! U.K.-chan's biggest dream is for Fuji to call out her name... I can fulfill your wish!! If you are satisfied with it, I can!!

By the time you see this, the name on the eraser might have been changed to another boy.

Oops...

After I wrote that, I suddenly realized it might not be OK to publish her name without her approval, huh? Is it OK? It's OK, isn't it? Wah, I don't want to give her any trouble, so I'll disguise a letter!!

How meaningless

struggling

struggling

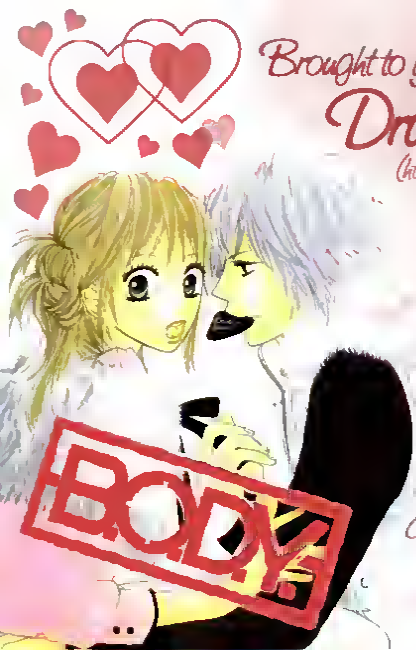
← Idiot

"It'd be great if there were an Ao-Mimori-only bookstore!! It'd certainly be great!!"
O.A. Nagano prefecture

It'd certainly be great! You're so funny. But it won't be a good business!! Can the store get any customers? There would be only ten books in the entire store and a lot of overstocked items! The owner would be me, and I would write comics at the end of each month at the store. Oh! That does sound fun!

"I'm a boy who is a junior in high school. I was wondering if a high school boy should be writing a letter, but I wrote it anyway?"

Yes, you can!! Yes, you can write a letter!! You wrote "I have a lot more I want to write, but I think you're busy, so I'll stop now," but, yes, you can write more!! I don't get many letters from boys, so I was surprised and glad. Write to me again!



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"He's a host."
IF YOU ACCUSE SOMEONE OF SOMETHING,
THEN YOU SHOULD HAVE EVIDENCE TO BACK IT UP

Something I noticed lately

Some letters from you have a very nice scent.

Why? Are you all wearing perfume? You're so adult-like. My first experience with perfume was when I was in college. I think. I didn't start putting on makeup until very late, too. After I became a comic writer, I almost never put makeup on at all.

For most of you, a "friend recommended B.O.D.Y."

To all of you who belong to my Ao Mimori popularization committee, thank you for your effort on this grassroots movement!! From one hand to another hand, delivered with love, let's recommend it to another friend, too.

I always say it, but I really am happy to receive your letters. I read them out loud and comment each time with "Ehhh?!" or "Hmm," etc. I'd love to write back to every letter I receive. Im gonna try, so please wait patiently. - without expecting much.

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Im looking forward to it——

THEN,
LET'S GO TO THE KARAOKE PLACE NOW.

HE SAID HE'S WORKING THERE TODAY, DIDN'T HE?
WILL YOU BELIEVE ME IF HE ISN'T AT THE KARAOKE PLACE?
IT HAS TO BE A LIE...
IT MUST BE THAT HE'S AT A HOST CLUB WITH WOMEN.
OK,
BUT...

IF HE'S THERE, I'M NOT GONNA FORGIVE YOU IF YOU JUST SAY THAT YOU MADE A MISTAKE
Asuka...
Hump
LET'S GO.

I've never seen Asuka act so serious as this.
She was always laughing, being cheerful, and joking around...
Why do you trust him so much?
KARAOKE

WE'RE GOING IN
YEAH
WEL-COME—
ONLY THE TWO OF YOU?
WELL, NOT QUITE
IS THERE A SHIRAI-KUN HERE TODAY?
Price
HUH?
SHIRAI IS A PART-TIMER.

ASUKA-CHAN?
Eh...?
SHIKAI
AND SAKURAI-SENPAI—
WHAT HAPPENED?

KO-CHAN!
YOU CAME TO SING?
RYOUKO TOLD ME SOMETHING WEIRD, SO WE CAME HERE TO MAKE SURE IT'S NOT TRUE
SHE SAID YOU'RE ACTUALLY A HOST OR SOMETHING ...

IF THAT'S SO, YOU WOULDN'T BE HERE
BUT I AM HERE.
ARE YOU CONVINCED NOW?
What...?
TCH

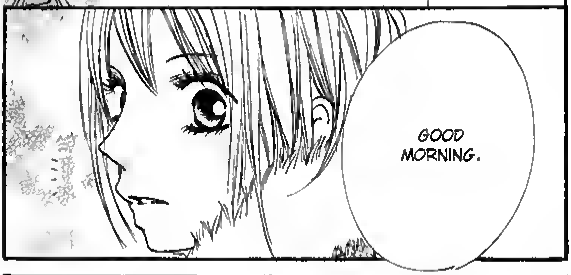
What's going on?
STARTLED
WELL, THERE'S A GUY I KNOW WHO IS A HOST.
MAYBE SOMEONE MISUNDERSTOOD AND SPREAD A RUMOR THAT I'M THAT HOST.
AH, I'M JUST GUESSING, BUT...
ANYWAY, WHO WOULD HAVE BELIEVED THAT?
WELL, WELL
NOW IT'S CLEAR THAT I'M NOT, SO IT'S FINE
How can I?

AH...
IT'S NOT FINE.
I DON'T FEEL GOOD ABOUT THINGS YET.
IT'S NOT THAT...
ASUKA..
DON'T YOU HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY, RYOUKO?

She won't believe me no matter what I say in this situation.
No way...
DASH
RYOUKO?!
BLEH

PANT
PANT
Why was he there?!
How annoying.
How annoying was that!
I'm totally lost.
"I don't feel good about things yet."

"...It's no match to the ring."
"...A gift is ... what he receives."
I lost her trust in me.
I can't tell her anything anymore.
But...
ASUKA...
What am I supposed to do?



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I'd love to go to see Nazca's geoglyphs. I think I'm gonna be so moved that I'd cry. I'm the kind of person who cries at a Disneyland parade.

While I'm chatting, this corner is about to end. This time, a person named Shiraï shows up. If you hate him, please endure it.

My favorite CDs lately are "Boss 'OZ'" and Spitz's "souvenir." I listen to both very frequently. I liked ASIAN-kung-FU GENERATION once but now I listen to these two exclusively. And my favorite thing to do now is to put beauty cream on my hair. That's about it. Ah, sleepy. See you next time, then.

ABOUT YESTERDAY... WHAT WAS THAT ALL ABOUT?!
WELL, SENPAI, IT WAS SO FUNNY...
YOU FREAKED OUT SO MUCH...

YOU CAME.

IT WAS WORTHWHILE TO HAVE TWO JOBS

I KNEW YOU AND ASUKA-CHAN WOULD COME SOMEDAY...
...
DUMBSTRUCK
IT'S SO WEIRD.
WHY WOULD YOU USUALLY DO THAT?!
IT'S SO COMPLICATED...
Eh...?
TWO JOBS?
IT'S VERY CONVENIENT LIKE TO HIDE THINGS.
WHEN A GIRL HAS DOUBTS ABOUT ME...
IT ACTS KIND OF LIKE AN INSURANCE!

BECAUSE IT'S FUN...
...TO MAKE A STUPID WOMAN DO WHATEVER I WISH HER TO DO.

IT'S NOT NICE FOR ME TO SAY IT ... BUT...
BY THE WAY, YOUR FRIEND IS TOO EASY.
PULL
HASN'T SHE BEEN USED A LOT BEFORE?
Like getting cheated on or something
!!
SHE'S VERY WEAK AT KEEPING HER GUARD UP
THUD

REMEMBER THIS
IF YOU SAY SOMETHING THAT INSULTS ASUKA EVEN ONCE FROM NOW ON,
I'M GONNA SCREW UP YOUR FACE SO BADLY THAT YOU'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO WORK AS A HOST
...

How irritating.
Though a guy like that stole my friend,
I can't do anything about it.
YOU TWO ARE WEIRD TODAY
HEY. WHAT IS THIS ABOUT?
2-2

ASUKA ...
ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED YESTERDAY
SHIRAI WAS THERE BECAUSE ..
CLUNK
WHAT NOW?
YOU RAN AWAY WHEN IT GOT INCONVENIENT FOR YOU
!
THAT WAS ...
I DON'T WANT TO LISTEN
Asuka...
Bye-bye!
See you tomorrow.

STOP.
RUFFLE
I DON'T LIKE IT...
RYOUKO
Why...
...does it have to be this way...?
COLLAPSE
Uh-oh
Fuji?
WHY DO YOU DO THAT TO YOURSELF?
You always do that
Hmm

WHAT HAPPENED?
...
YOU GOT YOURSELF INTO A COMPLICATED SITUATION — AGAIN
I guess he's not that stupid after all.
BUT THEN AGAIN, SHE WON'T BELIEVE ME, NO MATTER WHAT I SAY.
ASUKA SEEMS TO LIKE GETTING MORE AND MORE INVOLVED WITH HIM, AND IF I DON'T DO ANYTHING...

WHAT SHOULD I DO?
HOW ABOUT WE JUST LEAVE THEM ALONE?
HOW ABOUT SITTING BACK AND LEAVING THEM ALONE?
I CAN'T DO THAT!
EH...?
SHIRAI IS ENJOYING THE SITUATION MORE BECAUSE YOU GOT SO SERIOUS ABOUT IT.

A WATCH? IS IT EXPENSIVE?
I GUESS
THAT'S... KIND OF RISKY...
EH?
SOMEONE LIKE MIYAKE IS ACTUALLY VERY VULNERABLE
I KNEW A CUSTOMER LIKE THAT WHO CAME TO MY CLUB. AND...
SHE GAVE AS MUCH AS SHE COULD TO A GUY SHE FELL IN LOVE WITH

YOU NEVER KNOW WHAT HE'D DO TO HER WHILE WE'RE AWAY.
"Because it's fun..."
"...to make a stupid woman do whatever I wish her to do."
ASUKA IS OBEYING HIM BLINDLY, AND...
SHE REALLY WANTS TO GIVE HIM A WATCH.

IN ORDER TO GIVE HIM THE GIFTS, SHE STARTED WORKING FOR A RISKY BUSINESS.
STORM UP
I DON'T THINK MIYAKE IS THAT STUPID...
FUJI, SORRY, BUT GO HOME FIRST.
HUH?
HEY!
SIDE
"I don't have enough money."
SAKURA!

Yeah...
Asuka just went straight home, right?
silence
CLICK
Calm down.
Asuka would never do such a thing.
THUD
WHAT'S THAT?

What's this?
flip
flip
Eh...?
高校入Magaz
OSHI
HIGH INCOME
NOW HIRING FOR SHORT
TERM JOB
CAMPAIGN...
THE JOB YOU'VE
BEEN LOOKING FOR
...
Only 4 hours a day to earn $170!! Easy task, modeling, pay each day

Interview
November 24
5 pm
Today?!
ASUKA...
WHY DID SHE MARK THIS..?
Was she kidding?
PICK UP YOUR PHONE, ASUKA!!
You have to!!
beep
beep
OH, NO... NOOO! YOU'VE GOT TO BE KIDDING ME!
"Someone like Miyake..."
"...gave as much as she could to a guy she fell in love with."
YOU'VE REACHED ASUKA'S VOICE MAIL BOX

【 Place 】
Tokyo,
Shibuya station
NO.
She didn't go there.
She's probably at home right now.
SQUEEZE
THUD

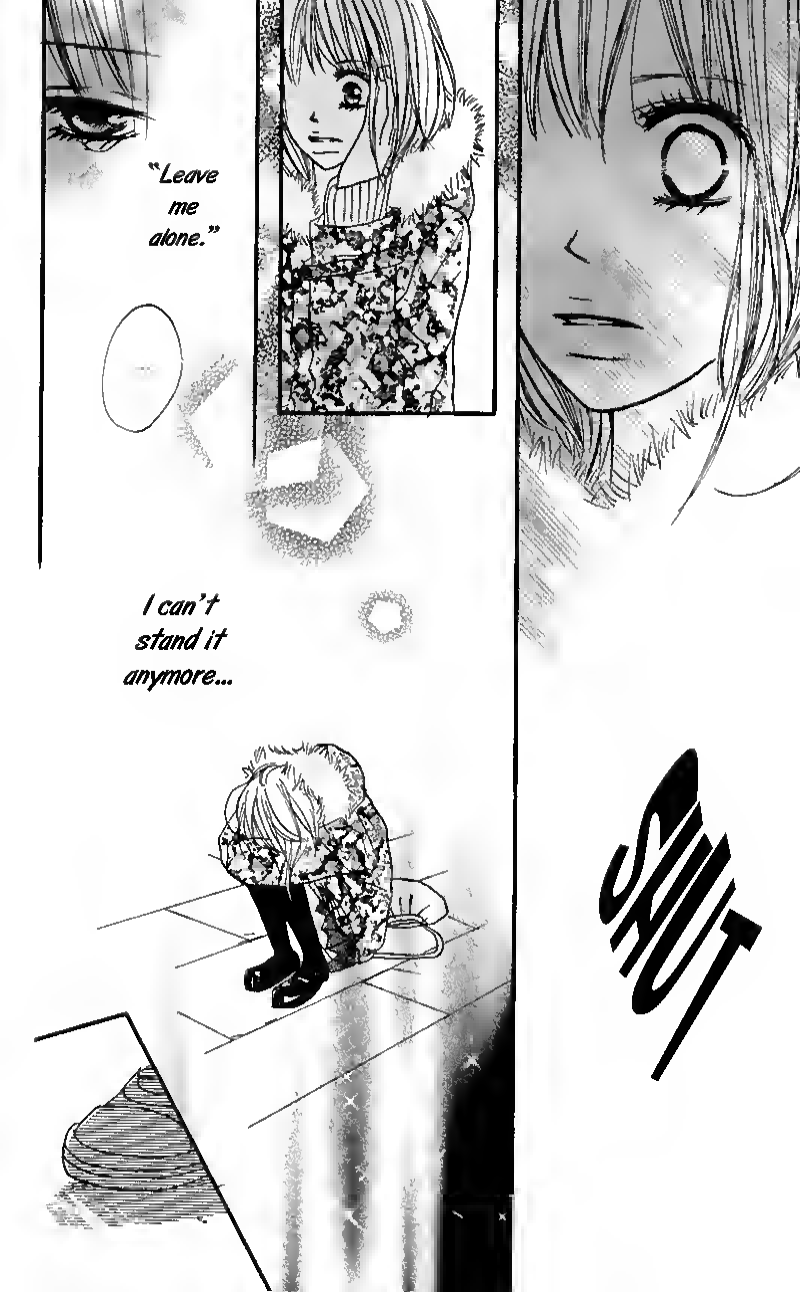
I'm just imagining things, right?
It's supposed to be around here
OH
That book
ARE YOU HERE FOR THE INTERVIEW?
EH?
AH... I'M NOT, BUT
MY FRIEND
She might be here
YOUR FRIEND? WE'VE GOT SOME HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS HERE
Oh, no...
Is she among them?
RYOUKO?

AWESOME.. YOU HAVEN'T GONE IN YET
Asuka!!
HUH?
I SAID, WHY ARE YOU HERE?
BECAUSE I'M WORRIED ABOUT YOU
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?

I SAW THIS BOOK...
!!
WHY DID YOU TAKE IT WITHOUT TELLING ME?
ARE YOU GONNA DO THIS SUSPICIOUS JOB?
YOU DON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT IT IS
I KNOW!
A NORMAL JOB DOESN'T PAY 170 DOLLARS FOR FOUR HOURS!
HEY, LADY,
SAYING THAT IT'S SUSPICIOUS AND NOT A NORMAL JOB...
IS KIND OF RUDE
IT'S JUST A NORMAL MODELING JOB.

NO,
I'M NOT GONNA LET YOU GO!
AH...
THIS WAY, THEN
ISN'T SHE HERE FOR THE INTERVIEW?
LEAVE ME ALONE!
WAKE UP!!
IT'S NOT LIKE YOU, ASUKA!
TO DO ALL OF THIS FOR THAT GUY IS—
STUPID, ASUKA!
GET YOUR HANDS OFF OF ME!
Slap

AH..
JUST LEAVE ME ALONE.


"Leave me alone."
I can't stand it anymore...
SHUT

EVEN SOMEONE LIKE YOU WILL CRY.
Shirai...
...
Ha ha
YOU'RE REALLY CRYING

I WAS FOLLOWING YOU
WHY ARE YOU HERE...?
HUH?
I SAW YOU STORMING OUT OF THE SCHOOL BUILDING, SO
I THOUGHT THERE MUST BE SOMETHING GOING ON
SHE'S MORE THAN I EXPECTED TO BE HONEST
I DIDN'T EXPECT IT TO TURN OUT THIS WAY
SHIZUKO 3

I CAN'T DO IT.
BUT SHE'LL LISTEN TO YOU.
IF WE DON'T HURRY, I DON'T KNOW WHAT THEY WILL DO TO HER...
SHE'S REALLY A STUPID--
GRAB
PLEASE.
PLEASE BRING HER BACK.

PLEASE...
OK, BUT NOT FOR FREE.
Eh...?
YOU NEED TO PAY WHEN YOU ASK PEOPLE TO DO SOMETHING FOR YOU.
DO YOU MEAN...
...MONEY?
WELL...

How terrible !!
HOW MUCH DO YOU NEED?!
PULL
I DON'T HAVE THAT MUCH RIGHT NOW.
BUT I'LL PAY YOU THE REST LATER...

IT'S ENOUGH
FOR NOW.

《 TO BE CONTINUED 》

how was it?

I hope you enjoyed BODY volume 4. The plot is becoming quite developed. Well, that's like life, isn't it?

What am I saying?

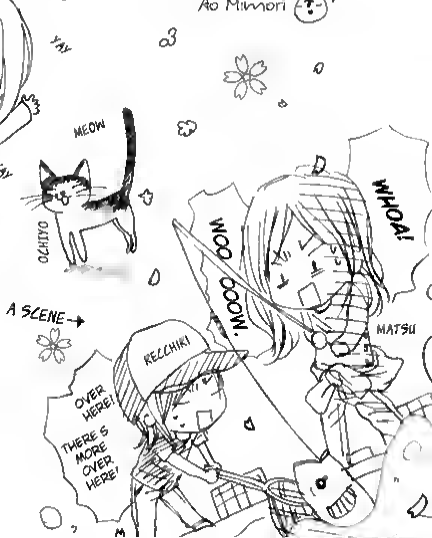
Yuki-chan's story that starts on the next page is about my dream job when I was younger. I've wanted to do that since I was in ninth grade. I wonder if a Japanese person can do that. How would he? I wrote my personal feelings in this way at the end of the comic book story. It's not that important, but please read it.

I look forward to seeing you in volume 5.

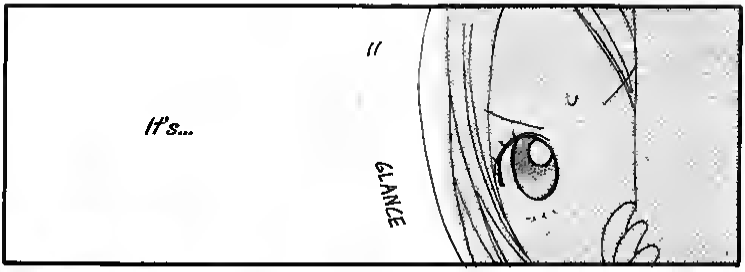
April 14, 2005

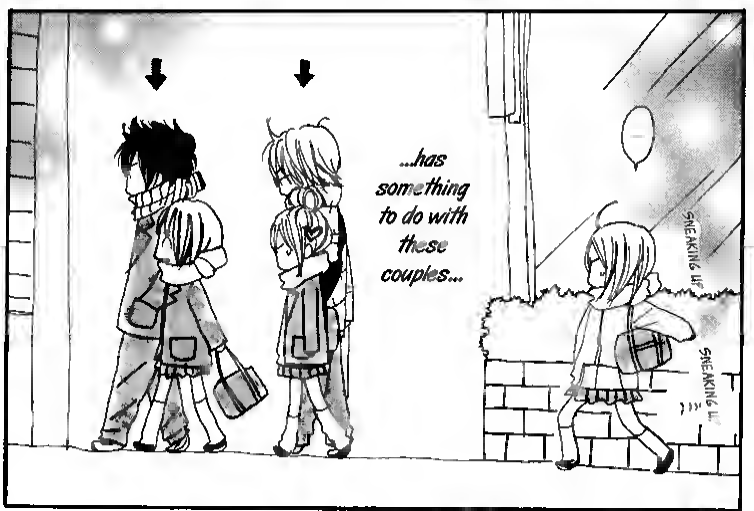
Ao Mimori

I went to the Ichigaya fishing pond with Matsu Odo. Though we both were beginners, we got about 25 pounds of fish. My hands got smelly with fish odor - but I will go there again. It was fun.



I am...
...Yuki Moroboshi, seventeen years old.
SEE YOU, YUKI! BYE-BYE!
I have something I've been interested in lately.
DASH
AFTER SCHOOL PROFILE:
A B.O.D.Y. Extra
YUKI-CHAN'S MONOLOGUE
I CAN SEE EVERYTHING!


It's...
GLANCE


...has something to do with these couples...
SNEAKING UP
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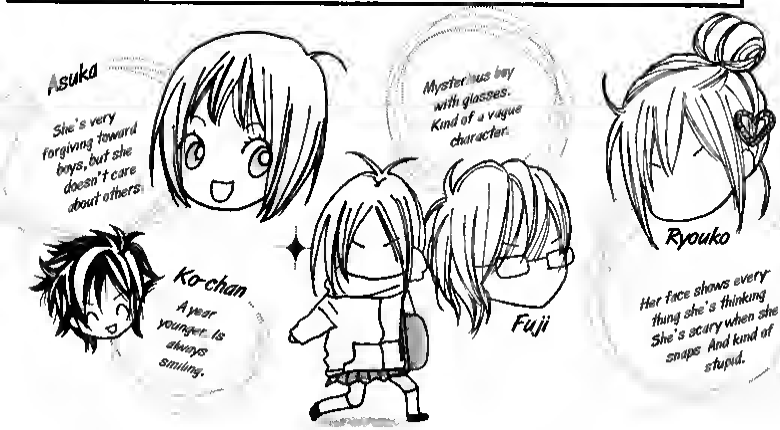
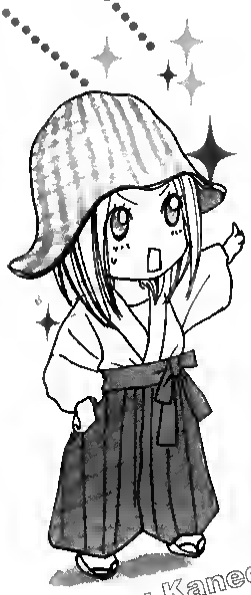

Asuka
She's very forgiving toward boys, but she doesn't care about others.
Mysterious boy with glasses. Kind of a vague character.
Ryouko
Her face shows every thing she's thinking She's scary when she snaps And kind of stupid.
Ko-chan
A year younger. Is always smiling.
Fuji

First, Ryouko.
She overreacts to things related to Ko-chan.
So that means she cares about Ko-chan right now.
How suspicious...
ANYWAY I REALLY CAN'T
NOT THAT GUY!
PLEASE INTRODUCE HIM TO ME
WHY?
Ko-chan, too, looks like a bright, nice kid, but...
He comes to our classroom so often...
How suspicious...
WHAT'S THAT?
Asuka, too. Even though she has really bad luck with boys, she has a boyfriend.
How suspicious...
Fuji is too quiet. Someone like him would actually be doing some fishy things behind the scene.
How suspicious...



Issetsu Kaneda

Ryoko and Ko-chan are actually in love, but Ko-chan is going out with Asuka as a cover. And Fuji might actually have another girlfriend somewhere!!!

After gathering all this info and analyzing it, I've concluded that...

Today...

hah

I'M GOING TO REALLY BELIEVE IT...

OH, MY...

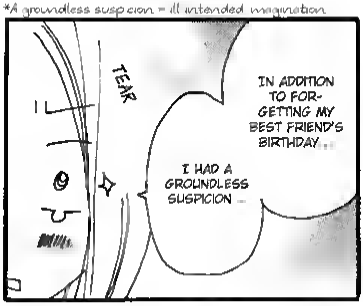
?!

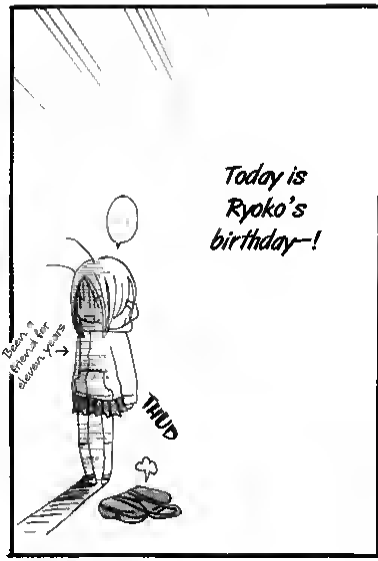
hee hee

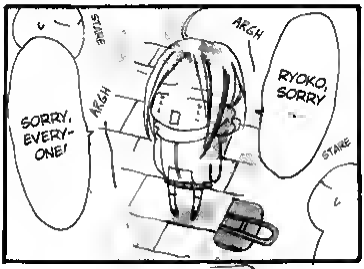
hee hee

You're so happy

*A groundless suspicion = ill intended imagination







My dream for the future:

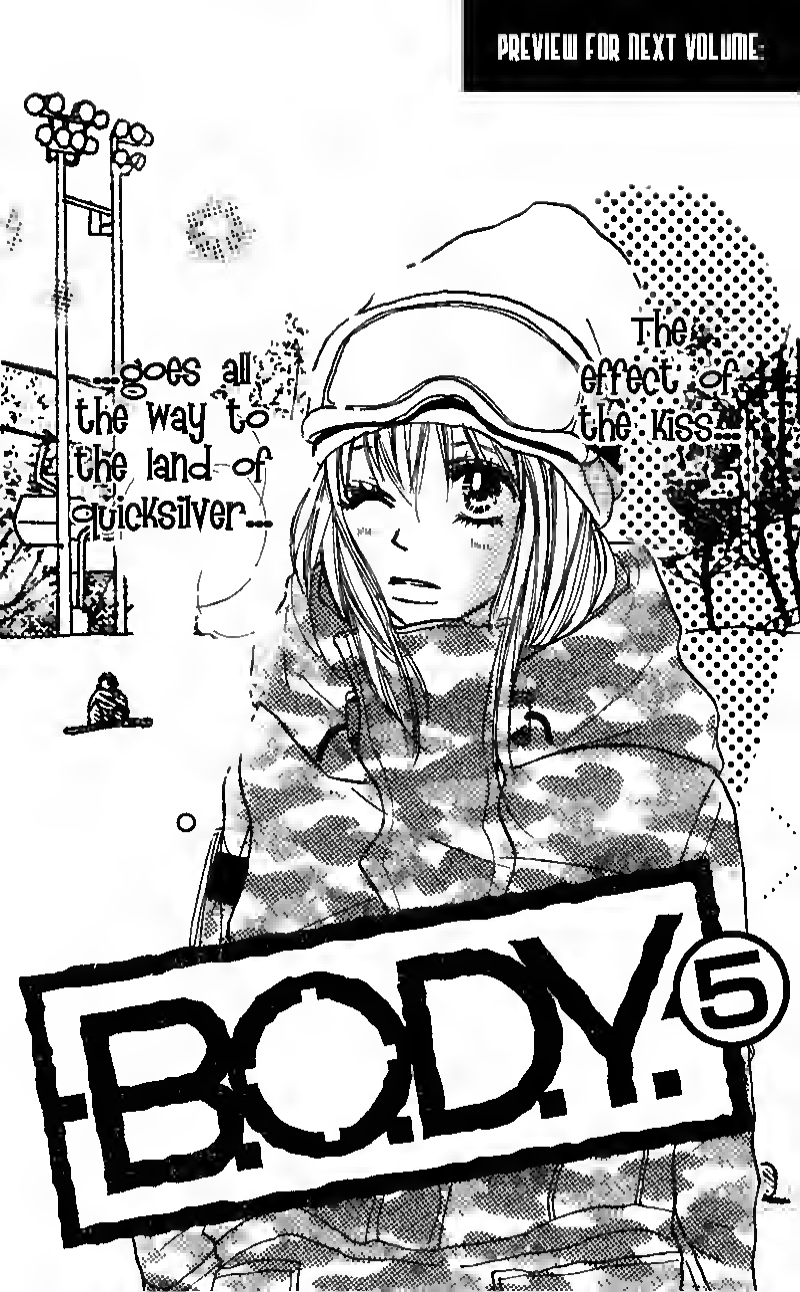
to be a FBI Profiler.

Yuki Moroboshi, seventeen years old.

Hobby: people-watching.

TO BE CONTINUED...maybe.

Did you think that that was the end?
SHAKE
SHAKE
Did you think that that was the end?
SHAKE
SHAKE
preview !!
STR
AIGHT
The end of the book
We still have
Check it out!
SHAKE
SHAKE
SHAKE
SHAKE
SHINE


...goes all the way to the land of quicksilver...
The effect of the kiss...
B.O.D.Y.
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Ryoko, Fuji, Asuka, and Shirai go on a ski trip...
...where an unexpected incident awaits them!!
WHAT DO YOU THINK OF SHIRAI?
LET'S GO ON A TRIP TOGETHER!
Volume 5 will be on sale fall 2005.

Volume Four End

I LOVE YOU

B.O.O.Y.

And DragonVoice!